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(e) whether mahazars from villagers have been sent to the Collector praying for postponement and remission of taxes ;

(f) whether the Collector has addressed the Government for the postponement of land-tax in certain cases and complete remission in other cases ; and

(g) what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter ?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*d*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 202-A. The Government have no further information.

(*e*) Some petitions received by Government have been transferred to the Board of Revenue.

(*f*) & (*g*) No such reports have been received.

Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar :—" With reference to clause (*d*) of the question may I know whether the Collector personally visited the flood affected area ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I must ask for notice."

Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar :—" Will the hon. the Revenue Member be pleased to visit the flood affected area ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" If I can find the time, I shall be glad to visit the area."

Forest Panchayats

Rules for the management of forest panchayats.

* 203 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the draft rules for the management of panchayat forests have been approved by the Government and if so, the date from which the rules have taken effect ;

(*b*) whether a copy of the rules will be placed on the table of the House ; and

(*c*) if all the unanimous recommendations of the committee who submitted the draft rules have been approved of by the Government, if not, the reasons therefor ?

A.—(*a*) & (*c*) The draft Standing Order relating to Forest Panchayats is under the consideration of the Government.

(*b*) The suggestion will be considered.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" May I know from the hon. the Revenue Member when the draft rules were submitted to the Government ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I do not remember the exact date."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" May I know when the notice inviting objections, if any, to the proposals, was published by the Government ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I must ask for notice."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Was a member of Government a party to the recommendations, I refer to the hon. the Chief Minister ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" Yes, Sir."